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REISSUE PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Reissue Application:)	
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ROBERT ALLEN DREHMEL ET AL.	:	Group Art Unit: 2181
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Issue Date: November 12, 1999	:	
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Reissue Application No.: 10/747,820	:	
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Filed: December 30, 2003	:	
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For: BUS ARCHITECTURE	:	
EMPLOYING VARYING WIDTH)	
UNI-DIRECTIONAL COMMAND	:	
BUS	:	

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REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTORS

Sir:

As the below-named inventors, we hereby declare that:

We believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 6,526,469, granted November 12, 1999, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled BUS ARCHITECTURE EMPLOYING VARYING WIDTH UNI-DIRECTIONAL COMMAND BUS, the specification of which was filed on December 30, 2003, as Reissue Application No. 10/747,820.

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability, as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

We verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, by reason of the patentees claiming less than they had the right to claim in the patent. Specifically, one error upon which the reissue is based is that none of the original patent claims is directed to a memory system including a controller having a plurality of subsystem ports, a buffer device, a plurality of memory devices coupled to the buffer device, and a plurality of point-to-point links each having a connection to a respective subsystem port and one of which is also connected to the buffer device as recited in Claim 11 of the present reissue application.

All errors which are being corrected in the present reissue application up to the time of filing this Declaration arose without any deceptive intent on the part of the applicants.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine and imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which the Declaration is directed.

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